

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Long Sheng Yu et al.

Serial No. : 10/799,534 Examiner: Alyssa M. Alter

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For : VENTRICULAR CONNECTOR

BY EPS

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria VA

Date: January 11, 2012

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

- X Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 has been previously established.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

The filing fee is calculated as follows:

	Number after Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For ¹	Number of Extra Claims Presented	RATE			FEE	
				Small Entity	Other Entity		Small Entity	Other Entity
Total Claims	23 -	* 20 =	*** 3 X	\$30	\$60	=	90	
Independent Claims	3 -	** 3 =	*** 0 X	\$125	\$250	=	0	
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) Presented For First Time <u> </u> Yes <u> X </u> No				\$225	\$450	=	0	
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE			\$ 90	

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